

MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 13-01-08

Date Published: January 3, 2013
For Work Week Commencing: January 7, 2013
Commission Meeting: January 8, 2013, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction *This agenda is the Commission's agenda for the work week designated. In the latter part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://psc.mt.gov>.*

Place of Meetings *All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.*

Live webcast *Unless otherwise noted on this agenda, all Commission meetings held during regular business hours that are noticed on this agenda will be webcast live via the audio and video feed links on the PSC website at <http://psc.mt.gov> (go to "Agendas & Meetings" then "Audio/Video Archives"). The audio feeds of meetings are also archived at the same website location.*

Inquiries *General inquiries concerning this agenda and subscribing to notice by mail may be made to Kate Whitney at (406) 444-3056. She may refer inquiries to another person within the agency.*

Accommodation for Persons with Disabilities *Anyone needing an accommodation for physical, hearing, or sight impairment in order to attend a scheduled meeting should contact the Commission secretary at (406) 444-6199 sufficiently prior to the meeting to allow accommodations to be made.*

9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of December 31, 2012

2. Out of state staff travel related to FERC Order 1000 (Kate)

Staff in the Regional Transmission & Public Policy Bureau anticipate numerous out-of-state meetings in 2013 as they participate in regional organizations such as the Northern Tier Transmission Group that are working to address issues related to implementation of FERC Order 1000. Staff seeks approval from the Commission for the Bureau's Order 1000-related travel in 2013, subject to available funding and in consideration of other agency staff travel needs. Probable Motion: Move to approve the Order 1000-related out of state staff travel in 2013.

3. Brawn, Inc. TN2559 (Nickie)

Brawn, Inc., Helena, Montana requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 2278 to Vance Vanderpan d/b/a Greater Valley Taxi, Belgrade, Montana for a twelve month period, January 2, 2013 to January 2, 2014. Probable Motion: Approve the continuation of the lease of PSC No. 2278, as requested.

SUB D Class B - Persons between all points and place within Gallatin, Park and Madison Counties. LIMITATION: Transportation between Gallatin Field Airport and Big Sky Montana, including a ten (10) mile radius of Big Sky, Montana, is prohibited.

4. Bayside Disposal, Inc. TN2560 (Nickie)

Bayside Disposal, Inc. d/b/a Disposal Service of Montana requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 9412 to City of Cut Bank, a Municipal Entity, Cut Bank, Montana from January 18, 2013 to January 18, 2014. Probable Motion: Approve the continuation of the lease of PSC No. 9412, as requested.

Class D - Refuse, meaning all putrescible and non-putrescible solid wastes, garbage, rubbish, street cleanings, dead animals, yard clippings, solid market wastes, solid industrial wastes, liquid wastes, and any other abandoned waste, between all points and places within the city of Cut Bank, Montana and an eleven (11) mile radius thereof. Carrier is authorized to transport authorized commodities to certified landfills from territory authorized.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2012.12.124 – NWE – Application for approval of automatic rate adjustment and tracking for taxes and fees – Discuss allowing NWE’s witnesses Bobbi Schroepel and Wayne Hitt to appear by phone. (1/8/13)
2. D2012.9.94 – NWE – Application for Authority to Establish Increased Natural Gas Delivery Service Rates and Allocated Cost of Service and Rate Design – Discuss and act on NWE’s objection to data request LCG-017 and any other pending objections to data requests. (1/8/13)
3. D2012.9.94 – NWE - Application for Authority to Establish Increased Natural Gas Delivery Service Rates and Allocated Cost of Service and Rate Design - Discuss and act on NWE’s motion for a protective order regarding forecasted financial information. (1/8/13)
4. D2012.9.94 – NWE - Application for Authority to Establish Increased Natural Gas Delivery Service Rates and Allocated Cost of Service and Rate Design – Discuss and act on NWE’s motion for a protective order regarding FIN 48 material. (1/8/13)
5. T-12.16.PCN – Green Taxi, LLC – Application of Green Taxi, LLC Missoula, Montana for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity – Consider and rule on Green Taxi’s motion to extend deadline by which the Commission must issue its final order. (1/8/13)
6. Blue Book – Act on the motion to enact Commission Blue Book, as revised by committee. (1/8/13)
7. Legislative – Discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process and general agency concerns; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. (1/8/13)

8. **1/9/13, 1/10/13, 1/11/13, at 8:30 a.m.** – Legislative – Discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process and general agency concerns; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. (1/9/13, 1/10/13, 1/11/13, at 8:30 a.m., Commission Conference Room – Live web audio feed – not archived)

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

1/7/13, 10:30 a.m. – Swearing-in ceremony for new commissioners (Bollinger Room)

1/7/13 – 1:30 p.m. – PSC organization meeting – Elect PSC chair and vice chair (Bollinger Room)

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. The Commission will rule on the requests no earlier than 10 days after the publication date of this agenda. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

None